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SUBJECT: DJIBOUTI - NO ANTI-HOMOSEXUAL LEGISLATION

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1.(U) In response to ref A request, there is no current or pending legislation in Djibouti that would criminalize same-sex relationships. In this traditionally nomadic Muslim society, there is effectively no public discussion of homosexuality, and such sexual orientation is normally not openly acknowledged. There have been no reports of persecution or harassment of persons based on sexual orientation or gender identity.

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